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(57) ABSTRACT

A steering device which slides when an impulse load is applied. The steering device includes an inner column having a cylindrical shape and a first hole opened therein, an outer column having a slit, an outer column bracket to tighten the outer column, an inner column bracket having a second hole opened therein, and a connection member provided at a position straddling the first hole and the second hole and detachably connecting the inner column and the inner column bracket. The telescopic friction plates are disposed at both sides of the outer column. The inner column bracket includes an arm portion connecting the telescopic friction plates disposed at both sides of the outer column, a neck portion projected from the arm portion, and a leg portion provided at an end opposite to the arm portion of the neck portion and contacting the inner column.

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